

FOR OCEAN GROVE

The West Side of Necanicum at Seaside to be Incorporated.

SEPARATE FROM SEASIDE

The New Town Will Be Called Ocean Grove, and the Bill Will Provide For a Separate Government and Election of Mayor.

It is reported that Senator Malarky of Portland has prepared a charter to incorporate the west side of the Necanicum river at Seaside as a town to be known as the town of Ocean Grove. Efforts have been made on several occasions to include the west side in the corporate limits of Seaside, but it met with considerable opposition from the people of both sides of the river. The greatest objection was that it might result in the establishment of saloons, and the people of both sides of the river are opposed to this. Ocean Grove will be the popular summer resort and as thousands of women and children spend the summer months there, a saloon would result in driving people away. By incorporating the new town it will be of material advantage to Seaside, as Seaside will be made the base of supplies. It will also assist in the government of the water system, as the mains of the Seaside system run all through the grove from the lower to the upper bridge. The charter of the town of Seaside gives the town control over the water system within and without the town, but it is very probable that satisfactory arrangements can be made to dispose of the portion of the system to the new town, if satisfactory arrangements can be made.

The new charter will provide for the election of a mayor and common council composed of five members, a town clerk and a marshal to serve during the summer season. It is very probable that Dan J. Moore will be appointed mayor. It is not known who will constitute the common council. Both towns of Seaside and Ocean Grove can co-operate for needed improvements. As the west side is not included within the corporate limits of the town of Seaside, no police protection can be afforded campers in the grove, and it often occurs that a policeman is necessary, particularly for the protection of property for vandals. There will be no objection on the part of the people of Seaside to the proposed new town.

MARINE NEWS.

Steamer Elder's Bad Plight—Olympia Meets With Mishap.

At the outset of her career as a blockade runner of contraband Russian goods, the steamer Olympia is meeting hard luck. She went to Comax for a supply of coal for the trans-Pacific trip, and then left out for the orient, but on her way through the straits she blew out a cylinder head and had to be taken back to Seattle for repairs. When the boilerhead blew out Chief Engineer S. S. Snyder was badly scalded by live steam.

The steamer Geo. W. Elder, which went on the rocks near Hunters point above Goble Saturday was reported to be in a rather precarious condition last night. When she struck the rocks she poked a large hole amidship and the Elder hung there. Now she has swung partly across the river and the storm may tilt her off the rock. In this event she will sink like a stone, as the water is nearly 100 feet deep beside the rocks, and, so far, it has been impossible to get a tarpaulin over the hole in order to pump the steamer clear of the water in her hold. She carries 1300 tons of freight, but yesterday the crew worked on her, only succeeded in getting out 50 tons of cargo dry. It is hoped that there will be no storm until the Elder's cargo is out and she can be raised and supported between wreckers. The disaster was occasioned by the sudden breaking of the steering gear at a critical moment.

The steamer F. A. Kilburn left out Sunday on her regular trip to San Francisco with freight and passengers. The passengers on the Elder when she went on the rocks were returned to Portland and sent south by rail.

The French steamer Ville de Mulhouse arrived down the river today bound for Australia in ballast.

The barkentine El Dorado, the steamer Northland and one ship are in the lower harbor waiting for better weather so they can put to sea. The bar was very rough yesterday. The Gerald C is lying at her dock, the repairs to her sails not having been completed yet.

THE RIVALS.

Sheridan's Famous Play to Be Put on Tomorrow at Hedrick's.

Among the many great comedies that Sheridan wrote the one that has survived the ravages of time and lived almost a century and a half is "The

Rivals." Now, as enjoyable as ever before on account of the keen satirical wit, of which the author was a master unsurpassed, or even equalled by the more modern of his numerous imitators. As portrayed by the Jeffersons, who will be at Hedrick's theater Wednesday, January 25, the caustic lines have lost none of their original penetration and the many laughable situations are cleverly put on by the excellent company which these artists have in their support. Joseph Jefferson, Jr., is the Sir Lucious O'Trigger, and William W. Jefferson is Bob Acres, or "Fighting" Bob, while Fiollet Page is the Mrs. Malaprop and Verner Clarges plays the irascible Sir Anthony Absolute. Others in the cast are all picked members of the support of Joseph Jefferson, Sr., and therefore a high class performance may be reasonably expected.

There are a great many people in Astoria who have the impression that the stage in Hedrick's theater is too small for such productions, and admitting that the proscenium is slightly smaller than the average legitimate house. The depth of the stage is within 15 inches of that of the Baker in Portland and as deep as the Empire in Portland. The management has worked with considerable persistency in securing this well known company and this performance will be the index to many first class performances in the future, if there is a good showing that it will be appreciated, as the president of the Northwestern Theatrical Association will be in Astoria on that night. Tickets are now on sale in the box office from 10 a. m. until 6 p. m. and though selling rapidly here are plenty of good seats left in the house yet. Telephone Main 2221.

Grand Benefit Concert.

Under the auspices of Local 197, A. F. of M., for R. A. Sears at the Star theater Thursday, January 26, at 3 p. m. In addition to the Star's full show the following program will be given:

March—"Sempre Fejells"—Eagle's Orchestra, 16 pieces
Overture—"Poet and Peasant"—Orchestra
Soprano Solo, with flute obligato—"He Was a Prince"—Miss Beatrice Raymond
"Grand Fantasia," for two cornets—Messrs. Searles and Williams
Overture—"Zampa"—Orchestra
Flute solo—"Caprice Des Fammes"—G. H. Moore of Portland
Admission 25c.
Watch for the Hayseed Band parade 12 m. Thursday.

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RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$330,919 07
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	9,834 56
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	.....	12,500 00
Premiums on U. S. bonds	.....	750 00
Stocks, securities, etc.	.....	50,138 87
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	.....	2,500 00
Other real estate owned	.....	4,375 00
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	.....	2,842 64
Due from state banks and bankers	.....	22,823 99
Due from approved reserve agents	.....	72,149 99
Checks and other cash items	.....	2,345 00
Notes of other national banks	.....	100 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	.....	654 16
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:		
Specie	.....	\$61,969 90
Legal-tender notes	.....	61 00
Legal-tender notes	.....	62,050 90
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent circulation)	.....	625 00
Total	.....	\$574,609 18

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	.....	\$50,000 00
Surplus fund	.....	10,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	.....	26,713 36
National bank notes outstanding	.....	11,900 00
Individual deposits subject to check	.....	\$231,150 93
Demand certificates of deposit	33,503 11
Time certificates of deposit	211,241 78
Total	\$574,609 18

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